Million Wells Schemes

445. DR. SHRIKANT RAMACHANDRA JICHKAR:
SHRI V.RAJESHWAR RAO:

Will the Minister of RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) How many wells were constructed in the Viderbha Region of Maharashtra (district-wise) and Telangana region of Andhra Pradesh (district-wise) during the last three years under the Million Wells Schemes; and

(b) the steps being taken to boost this programme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT (DEPARTMENT OF RURAL EMPLOYMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION) (SHRI VILAS BABURAO MUTTEMWAR): (a) District-wise information on wells constructed under Million Wells Scheme is not maintained at the Central level. The number of Well constructed in Andhra Pradesh and Maharashtra under the scheme during the last three years is as under:

Year	Andhra Pradesh	Maharashtra
1992-93	114571	6739
1993-94	15581	5284
1994-95	17498	6322

(b) Prior to 1.1.1996, the Million Wells Scheme was implemented as a sub-scheme of Jawahar Rozgar Yojana. A certain proportion of funds under JRY was earmarked for Million Wells Scheme. To boost the implementation of the scheme, the Government has taken a decision to restructure and streamline the Jawahar Rozgar Yojana. As a result, from 1.1.1996, the MWS has been delinked from JRY and made an independent scheme.

Development of Women and Children in Rural Areas

446. SHRI YERRA NARAYANASWAMY: Will the Minister of RURAL AREAS AND DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the funds released for DWACRA for a Andhra Pradesh in 1995-96;

(b) whether Government of Andhra Pradesh has asked for more funds for DWACRA programme;

(c) if so, the details of the demand; and

(d) the reaction of Government to the demand of Andhra Pradesh for release of further funds?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT (DEPARTMENT OF RURAL EMPLOYMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION) (SHRI VILAS BABURAO MUTTEMWAR): (a) Andhra Pradesh was allocated a sum of Rs. 431.25 lakhs by way of Central & UNICEF assistance for formation of 2875 DWCRA groups during 1995-96 The entire allocation has been released.

(b) to (d) Subsequently, the State Government requested for fund for taking up 25,000 additional groups during the current year. As against this, Rs. 7.50 crores has been released for taking up 5000 additional groups.

राष्ट्रीय अल्पसंख्यक वित्त निगम द्वारा व्यय की गई धनराशि

447. **श्री मोहम्मद अफजल उर्फ मीम अफजल:** क्या कल्याण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) "राष्ट्रीय अल्पसंख्यक वित्त निगम" को वर्ष 1995-96 के लिए कितनी धनराशि प्रदान की गई है;

(ख) 31 जनवरी, 1996 तक उक्त निगम द्वारा कितनी धनराशि व्यय की गई है;

(ग) उक्त धनराशि जिन-जिन मदों पर खर्च की गई है, उनका पूरा ब्यौरा क्या है?

कल्याण मंत्री (श्री सीताराम केसरी): (क) 1995-96 के दौरान 39 करोड़ रुपए की राशि का बजट रखा गया है तथा 31.1.1996 तक 10 करोड़ रुपए निर्मुक्त किए गए हैं।

इसके अतिरिक्त केरल तथा आन्ध्र प्रदेश सरकारों प्रत्येक द्वारा 10 करोड़ रु० का अंशदान किया गया तथा शेयर पूंजी अंशदान के लिए उत्तर प्रदेश द्वारा 6.95 करोड़ रु० का अंशदान किया गया है।

(ख) 1994-95 में तथा 1995-96 में अब तक निर्मुक्त निधियों में से 31.1.1996 तक 31,87,19,215 रु० की राशि खर्च की गई।

(ग) ब्यौरे निम्नलिखित हैं:

1.	राज्य माध्यम एजेंसियों को ऋण	32,34,146 रुपए
2.	स्टाफ को वेतन तथा मजदूरी	5,51,599 रुपए
3.	लेखा-परीक्षा फीस	10,0004,146 रुपए
4.	विज्ञापन	4,72,275 रुपए
5.	प्रशासनिक व्यय	27,24,394 रुपए
6.	जमा निवेश	17,26,801 रुपए
		31,87,19,215 रुपए

Newspapers Report on Obstructing the sale of Indian Pharmaceuticals in the Gulf Countires

448. DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:
SHRI TRILOKI NATH CHATURVEDI:

Will the Minister of CHEMICAL AND FERTLIZERS be pleased to state:

Whether Government's attention has been invited to the news-items published in the Daily Jagaran of February 2, 1996 to the effect that the multi-national companies are obstructing the sale of Indian Pharmaceuticals in the Gulf countries and if so, the facts in this regard and the action taken by Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI RAM LAKHAN SINGH YADAV): The Government's of UAE and Saudi Arabia have prescribed certain criteria for improt of drugs and pharmaceuticals. These are uniformly applicable for supplies from all countries. One of the criteria requires registration in developed countries. The inability of Indian companies to fulfil these conditions of registration has affected the exports.

The Government are activèly pursuing the matter with the UAE and Saudi Arabian Authorities with a view to relaxing the registration criteria which would allow resumption of imports of drugs and pharmaceuticals from India.

Supply of Tool Kits

449. SHRIMATI BASANTI SARMA:
DR. SHRIKANT RAMCHANDRA JICHKAR:

Will the Minister of RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to State;

(a) how many artisans were supplied with tools kits in the Vidarbha Region of Maharashtra (District-wise) and in Assam during the last three years; and

(b) the steps being taken to boost this programme in these areas?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT (DEPARTMENT OF RURAL EMPLOYMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION) (SHRI VILAS BABURAO MUTTEMWAR): (a) District-wise information is given in Statement-I and Statement-II in respect of Vidarbha Region of Maharashtra and Assam respectively.